

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 19 Oct 59	2. LOCATION Republic of Korea	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical Venus <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 0305Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes But FORWARDED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 hrs 20 mins	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE West
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Approx size of the letter "c" of the word cent on the reverse side of a penny at arms length. Obj was crescent shaped, silver in appearance. <i>* Photos TAKEN BUT NOT FORWARDED LURK JR FROM 314 40.</i>		11. COMMENTS There is no reason to believe that the obj of this sighting was anything other than the planet Venus.

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- (a) No
- (b) No
- (1) Approx 250 Degrees

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UFO ANALYSIS SHEET

Location Republic of KoreaDate 19 Oct 1959

Hour (Z)

19/0305 ZWX Clear - Visibility 10 miles plusDescription Approximate size of the letter "c" of the word cent on the reverse side of penny at arm's length. Object was crescent shaped. Silver in appearance.Direction of Motion Very slow to west - in sight three hours 20 minutes.Satellite: (AFCIN-4F3, Phone 69219) In sight too long.Astronomical Phenomena (Meteor, Comet, Planet, etc) In sight too long for meteor or comet - possibly planet.Radar Analysis (AFCIN-4E1) N/ANatural Phenomena (Ball Lightning, etc) Aircraft, Balloons, Airships, etc. In sight too long for aircraft moving in same direction. Possibly balloon but wind wrong.Other Evaluation of Source Reliability Probably very good.

Analysis and Conclusions: It is believed that the information in this report is very accurate. The object when first seen was 246.2° bearing at 41.6° elevation when last seen 279.6° bearing at 5.6° elevation. This indicates the object was moving west and descending. The westward rate was approximately 12° per hour; this is very close to the rotational rate of the earth and the apparent velocity of stars. The description of the object is, other than size, the same as that of the moon. Planets such as Mercury and Venus

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whose orbits are smaller than that of earth have phases the same as the moon. To the naked eye Venus appears as a very bright star, -4.3 magnitude at its brightest, but with a 20 power optical aid the crescent shape would be apparent. On the date of this sighting only .350 of the surface of Venus as seen from the earth was illuminated.

On the day and at the time of this sighting Venus was in the exact position of the object of this report, and went below the horizon to the WSW after approximately three hours and twenty minutes.

It is not unusual for persons viewing the interior planets for the first time through an optical aid to be startled by the fact that it appears as a small moon, phases and all. Our every day experiences have left us with the impression that Venus is like a star and originates its own light rather than reflecting sunlight the same as the moon.

There is no reason to believe that the object of this sighting was anything other than the planet Venus.

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ACTION: CIN

INFO : OOP, SAFS

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PP RJEZHQ

ZDK

ABC004

PP RJAPAA RJHPKH RJHPKM RJWFAL RJEDSQ RJEZHQ

DE RJAPAB 1

P 202345Z

FM 314AIRDIV OSAN-NI AB KOREA

TO RJWFAL/ADC ENT

RJEDSQ/ATIC WPAFB

RJEZHQA/HQ USAF

RJHPKM/PACAF HICKAM

RJHPKH/PACAF KUNIA ANFEX

RJAPAA/5AF

BT

/UNCLAS/314OC-01 3548. HQ USAF ATTN: AFCIN AND ISO.

PACAF HICKAM ATTN: PFICO. 5AF ATTN: 5FIDC AND 5FOOT-C-COC.

INFO REPORT.

A. (1) CRESCENT

(2) APPROXIMATE SIZE OF THE LETTER C OF THE WORD CENT ON
REVERSE SIDE OF PENNY HELD AT ARMS LENGTH.

(3) SILVER

(4) ONE

(5) N/A

(6) NO

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(7) NO

(8) NO

(9) NONE

B. (1) WEATHER MAN TRYING TO SPOT AIRCRAFT ON BOMBING RUN NOTICED OBJECT

(2) 246.2 DEGREES TRUE BEARING

41.6 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON

(3) 279.6 DEGREES TRUE BEARING

D 5.6 DEGREES ABOVE HORIZON

(4) STRAIGHT

(5) OBJECT GRADUALLY GREW SMALLER AS IT NEARED THE HORIZON

(6) THREE HOURS TWENTY MINUTES

C. (1) GROUND-VISUAL

(2) THEODOLITE ML-146 - 20 POWER

(3) N/A

D. (1) 190305Z OCT 59

(2) DAY

E. (1) 3715 NORTH 12642 EAST

(2) KOON-NI RANGE

F. (1) N/A

(2) 1ST LT RICHARD C. ROBBINS, A03080693, 6314TH SUPPORT

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SQUADRON, USAF, RIABLE.

G. (1) CLEAR

(2) ALT DIR SPEED

0' UNK UNK

600' 050DEG 17K

10,000' 010 14K

P 16,000' 040 33K

20,000' 030 37K

30,000' 010 54K

50,000' 290 67K

80,000' 250 11K

(3) NONE

(4) 10 MILES PLUS

(5) NONE

(6) NONE

H. NONE

I. 3 AIRCRAFT SCRAMBLED. OBSERVER DIRECTED AIRCRAFT TO AREA OF OBJECT. AIRCRAFT SPOTTED NOTHING.

J. AIRCRAFT IN LOCAL BOMBING PATTERN AT KOON-NI RANGE.

K. R.A. BASS, CAPTAIN, USAF. NO FURTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE AT

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L. NONE

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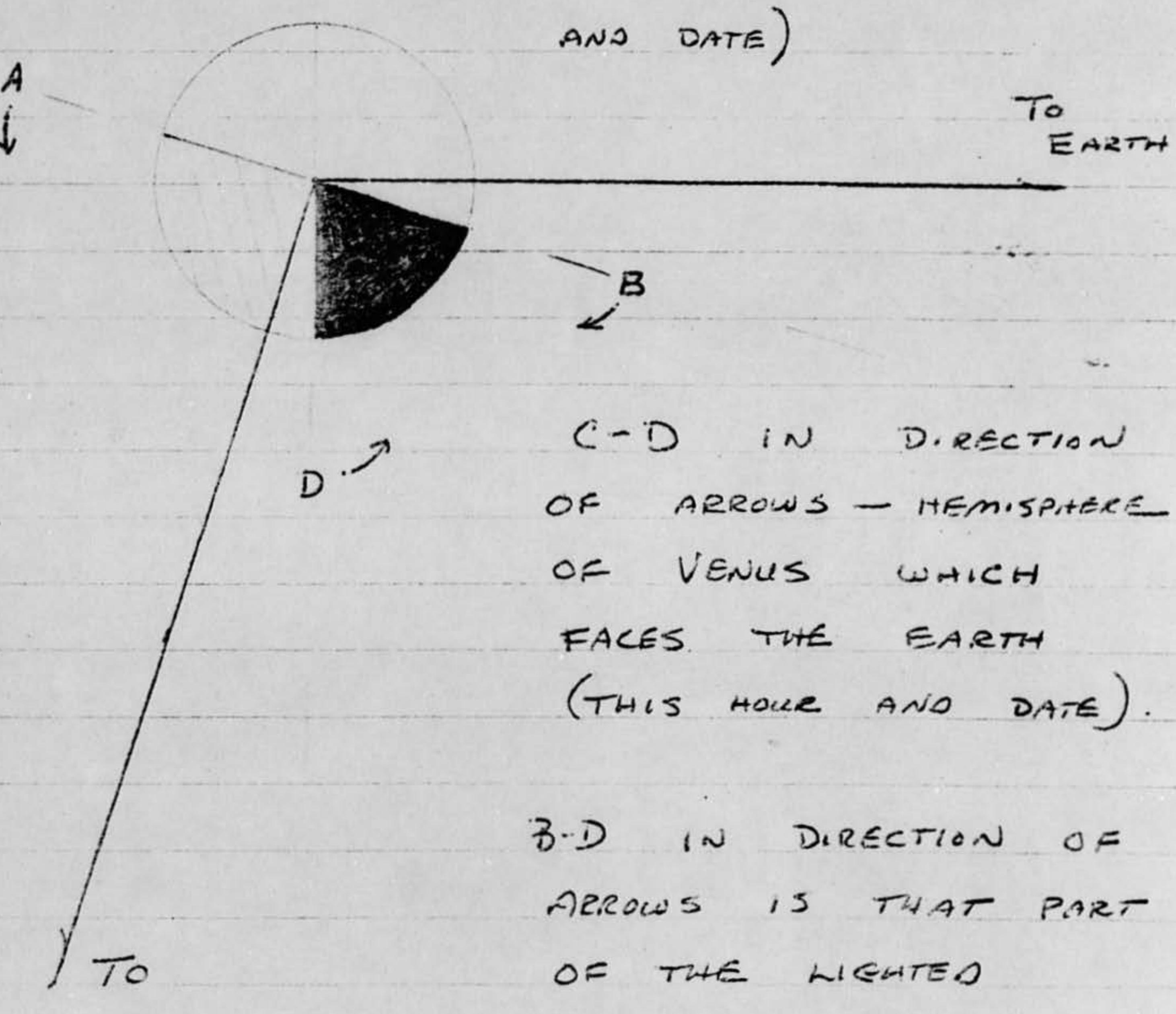
Venus was again reported as a UFO on the night of October 19, 1959, in Korea. An observer reported a crescent-shaped silver object moving very slowly toward the west. Observing it for three hours and twenty minutes through the telescope of a transit, he obtained very exact data on the bearing and altitude, which provided the facts required for identification. The object moved westward at a rate of approximately 12 degrees an hour, a rate close to the rotational velocity of the earth and the apparent rotational velocity of the stars. Venus at the time occupied exactly the same position as the object, and went below the horizon shortly after the reported sighting [1].

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A-B IN DIRECTION OF ARROWS - HEMISPHERE OF

C VENUS WHICH IS IN SUNLIGHT. (THIS HOUR AND DATE)



C-D IN DIRECTION OF ARROWS - HEMISPHERE OF VENUS WHICH FACES THE EARTH (THIS HOUR AND DATE).

B-D IN DIRECTION OF ARROWS IS THAT PART OF THE LIGHTED HEMISPHERE WHICH CAN BE SEEN FROM THE EARTH (THIS HOUR AND DATE)

ONLY 0.350 OF THE SURFACE FACING EARTH ON THIS DATE AND HOUR IS LIGHTED. MAGNITUDE OF VENUS THIS DATE - 4.2

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ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT

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DATE OF COLLECTION

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SRI NO.

CANCELED/COMPLETE

PREPARING INDIVIDUAL

Captain Ralph A. Bass

DATE OF REPORT

26 OCT 59

SRI NO.

CANCELED/INCOMPLETE

NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE

1st Lt Richard C. Robbins

EVALUATION

SRI NO.

ACTIVE

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REFERENCES (PAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)

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Report of Unidentified Flying Objects

SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112A unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies.)

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RALPH A. BASS
Captain, USAF
Chief, Target Branch

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A.

(1) Greenish

(2) Approximately size of the letter "G" of the word sent on reverse side of page held at arm's length.

(3) Silver

(4) Blue

(5) Black

(6) No

(7) No

(8) No

(9) None

B.

(1) Whether man trying to spot aircraft or looking out window of plane

(2) 245.2 Degrees true bearing
41.6 Degrees above horizon(3) 279.6 Degrees true bearing
5.6 Degrees above horizon

(4) Daylight

(5) Object gradually grew smaller as it neared the horizon

(6) Three hours twenty minutes

C.

(1) Telescopic

(2) Telescopically Magnified 20 power

(3) X4

D.

(1) INSTRUMENT USED

(2) Ray

E.

(1) 375 North 1563 West

(2) Known range

F. (a) Name

(2) 1st Lt Richard C. Ballou, AF0000000, (34th Support Squadron, USAF, Holloman.

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E. (1) **Other:**

(2) ALT	SIZ	SPD
0'	UNK	UNK
6000'	OPERA	17K
10,000'	OLB	1AK
14,000'	OLB	1KX
20,000'	OLB	1KX
26,000'	OLB	1AK
28,000'	290	6K
30,000'	290	11K

(3) None

(4) 20 Miles plus

(5) None

(6) None

F. None

1. 3 aircraft observed. Observer directed aircraft to area of object. Aircraft spotted nothing.

2. Aircraft in local tracking pattern at known range.

3. E. At 2000, Captain, USAF.

4. None

Photographs

(1) Enclosed

(2) Z/A

(3)

(a) M109 8 3

(b) 90 mm M109A1 how.

(c) Artillerymen

(d) & (e) First 5 frames (Number 20-15) through frame 1/14
Last 2 frames (16-18) 1/18 M.

(f) No

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